

Appl. No. 09/890,921
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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A leave-on cosmetic composition suitable for topical application to the skin comprising:
 - a) a polyacrylamide polymer having a number average molecular weight of greater than 20,000 and;
 - b) a cation containing, water swellable polymer having a glass transition temperature of less than 0°C.;wherein said composition comprises less than 4% of an anionic, zwitterionic or amphoteric surfactant and wherein said compositions are in the form of an emulsion of one or more oil phases in an aqueous continuous phase and wherein said polyacrylamide polymer is water dispersible.
2. (Original) A composition according to Claim 1 wherein the cation containing polymer is selected from cationic or ampholytic polymers, or mixtures thereof.
3. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 2 wherein the cation containing polymer is a cationic polysaccharide or derivative thereof.
4. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 3 wherein the cation containing polymer is an ampholytic acrylic acid containing copolymer.
5. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 4 wherein the cation containing polymer is selected from cationic cellulosic derivatives, cationic polysaccharide guar gum derivatives and acrylic acid/diallyl dimethyl ammonium chloride/acrylamide copolymers, or mixtures thereof.
6. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 5 comprising from about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of the cation containing polymer, or mixtures thereof.

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10. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 6 comprising from about 0.01% to about 10% by weight of the polyacrylamide polymer.
11. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 10 further comprising from about 3% to about 20% of a polyhydric alcohol, or mixtures thereof.
12. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 11 wherein the composition comprises from less than 2% of an anionic, zwitterionic or amphoteric surfactant.
13. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 12 wherein when the composition comprises an anionic surfactant, the composition has a ratio of cation containing polymer to anionic surfactant of greater than 1.
14. (Previously presented) A cosmetic method of treatment of the skin comprising applying to the skin a composition according to Claim 13.
15. (Currently amended) A method for reducing levels of tack in a skin care composition comprising:
- a) a polyacrylamide polymer having a number average molecular weight of greater than 20,000 and;
 - b) a cation containing, water swellable polymer having a glass transition temperature of less than 0°C.;
- wherein said composition comprises less than 4% of an anionic, zwitterionic or amphoteric surfactant and wherein said compositions are in the form of an emulsion of one or more oil
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